Reviewer's report

Title: Laparoscopic repair of secondary parahiatal hernia with incarceration of the stomach: a case report

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Reviewer: Efstathios Kotidis

Which of the following best describes what type of case report this is?: Other

If other, please specify:

Rare case of parahiatal diaphragmatic hernia

Has the case been reported coherently?: Yes

Is the case report authentic?: Yes

Is the case report ethical?: Yes

Is there any missing information that you think must be added before publication?: Yes

Is this case worth reporting?: Yes

Is the case report persuasive?: Yes

Does the case report have explanatory value?: Yes

Does the case report have diagnostic value?: Yes

Will the case report make a difference to clinical practice?: Yes

Is the anonymity of the patient protected?: Yes

Comments to authors:

What was the reason for a 29 day hospitalization in an uneventful postoperative course?

In your case, the hernia is rather an iatrogenic hernia, since the defect was probably created during thoracic surgery for mesothelioma.

It is a very interesting case that is worthwhile to be published. Few language errors need to be revised. It would also be interesting to note how the hernia affected the intraabdominal and intrathoracic pressure of the patient (see The

Quality of written English: Acceptable